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## City of Ventura Deputy Public Works Director Mary Joyce Ivers **Assumes Presidency of APWA**

**Ventura, Calif.** — On August 31, 2020, City of Ventura officials joined Deputy Public Works Director Mary Joyce Ivers in a virtual ceremony as she was sworn in as the President of the American Public Works Association (APWA). Affirmed by APWA's more than 30,000 members, President Ivers will lead the organization for the 2020-2021 term.

"We are thrilled to have a President with one of the most impressive resumes in the industry," said APWA Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Scott Grayson, CAE. "As a key figure in APWA's leadership, we will benefit from her vision, influence and creativity to successfully connect with and support our membership and communicate APWA's Public Policy Priorities to Capitol Hill."

Mary Joyce Ivers has been involved in public works for over 27 years. In 2019, she was promoted to Deputy Director overseeing operational activities for the City's Public Works Department, which oversees a \$100 million budget with a team of 91 employees. Prior to her current role, she spent 17 years as the City's Fleet and Facilities Manager, where she was inducted into the 2018 Public Fleet Hall of Fame and recognized as the 2017 National Government Fleet Manager of the Year.

"Mary Joyce is a longtime Ventura resident who cares deeply for our community and has a careerlong history of service excellence, innovation, and integrity," said Ventura City Manager Alex D. McIntyre. "We are thrilled to have an enthusiastic, forward-thinking leader like Mary Joyce not only serve our City but represent Ventura on a national level. She will lead APWA to new levels of distinction."

The City's Public Works mission is to provide innovative solutions for Ventura's infrastructure and environment. The City's 2020-2026 Adopted Capital Improvement Plan contains 140 capital improvement projects totaling \$700 million. Despite the challenges of COVID-19, the department has continued to deliver \$57 million worth of projects this fiscal year.

To learn more about the City of Ventura's award-winning Public Works Department, visit www.cityofventura.ca.gov/publicworks.

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